

Practitioner's Docket No. 492.186

CHAPTER II

Preliminary Classification:

Proposed Class:

Subclass:

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER
TO THE UNITED STATES ELECTED OFFICE (EO/US)
(ENTRY INTO U.S. NATIONAL PHASE UNDER CHAPTER II)**

PCT/US99/13191	10 June 1999 (10.06.99)	10 June 1999 (10.06.99)
International Application Number	International Filing Date	International Earliest Priority Date

TITLE OF INVENTION: CLOSURE DEVICE

APPLICANT(S): SAVICKI, Alan. F.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington D.C. 20231

ATTENTION: EO/US

1. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Elected Office (EO/US) the following items under 35 U.S.C. Section 371:
 - a. This express request to immediately begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. Section 371(f)).
 - b. The U.S. National Fee (35 U.S.C. Section 371(c)(1)) and other fees (37 C.F.R. Section 1.492) as indicated below:

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Exhibit A

2. Fees

CLAIMS FEE*	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
BASIC FEE	TOTAL CLAIMS	87 -20 =	67	x \$18.00 =	\$1,206.00
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4 - 3 =	1	x \$84.00 =	\$84.00
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) + \$270.00				\$0.00
	U.S. PTO WAS INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION AUTHORITY Where an International preliminary examination fee as set forth in Section 1.482 has been paid on the international application to the U.S. PTO: and the above requirements are not met (37 C.F.R. Section 1.492(a)(1)) \$690.00				\$740.00
	Total of above Calculations				=\$2030.00
SMALL ENTITY	Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Affidavit must be filed. (note 37 CFR Sections 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)				- \$0.00
	Subtotal				\$2,030.00
	Total National Fee				\$2,030.00
	Fee for recording the enclosed assignment document \$40.00 (37 C.F.R. Section 1.21(h)). See attached "ASSIGNMENT COVER SHEET".				\$40.00
TOTAL	Total Fees enclosed				\$2070.00

Please charge Account No. 03-2270 in the amount of \$2,070.00.

A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

3. A copy of the International application as filed (35 U.S.C. Section 371(c)(2)) is enclosed. The application was filed with the United States Receiving Office.

4. A translation of the International application into the English language (35 U.S.C. Section 371(c)(2)) is not required as the application was filed in English.

5. Amendments to the claims of the International application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. Section 371(c)(3)) have not been transmitted. Applicant chose not to make amendments under PCT Article 19.

Date of mailing of Search Report (from form PCT/ISA/210): 15 October 1999.

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6. A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (38 U.S.C. Section 371(c)(3)) has not been transmitted for reasons indicated in section 5.

7. A copy of the international examination report (PCT/IPEA/409) is not required as the application was filed with the United States Receiving Office.

8. Annex(es) to the international preliminary examination report is/are not required as the application was filed with the United States Receiving Office.

9. A translation of the annexes to the international preliminary examination report is not required as the annexes are in the English language.

10. An oath or declaration of the inventor (35 U.S.C. Section 371(c)(4)) complying with 35 U.S.C. Section 115 is submitted herewith, and such oath or declaration is attached to the application.

11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.97 and 1.98 is transmitted herewith.

Also transmitted herewith are Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B) and copies of citations listed, along with a copy of the International Search Report.

12. An assignment document is transmitted herewith for recording.

13. Additional documents:

a. Copy of request (PCT/RO/101)

14. The above items are being transmitted before 30 months from any claimed priority date.

Date: November 15, 2001



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CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.10*

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I hereby certify that this paper, along with any document referred to, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date November 16, 2001 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee," mailing Label Number EL229053464US, addressed to the: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Toni Sampson

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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER NO.	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTY. DOCKET NO.
09/979,527	Alan F Savicki	492.188

27023
THE GLAD PRODUCTS COMPANY
P.O. BOX 24305
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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.	
PCT/US99/13191	
LA. FILING DATE	PRIORITY DATE
06/10/1999	

CONFIRMATION NO. 6088
371 FORMALITIES LETTER



Date Mailed: 01/30/2002

NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Request for Immediate Examination

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- \$130 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Exhibit C

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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PART 1 - ATTORNEY/APPLICANT COPY

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NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF ASSIGNED SERIAL NUMBER

Documents filed under 35 U.S.C. 371 to enter the national stage before the US Designated/Elected Office were received by the US Patent and Trademark Office on 11/19/01 and assigned serial number 9/979527.

Documents filed later under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 were received on 11/16/01 and assigned serial number 9/979367.

The assigned serial number 9/979367 has been cancelled and other assigned serial number should be used when filing papers in the Patent and Trademark Office.

Note: *any fees for 9/979367, have been credited to Deposit acct #03-2270.*

Applicant will be receiving further communications concerning 35 U.S.C. 371 in due course.

Applicant is reminded that any communication mailed to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be directed to the address and include the U.S. application no. in the heading above (37 CFR 1.5).

Darrell C Cottman
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PART 3 - OFFICE COPY

FORM PCT/DO/EO/908 (Canceled Application Number)

Exhibit D

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Mail Stop Patent Application
VA 22313-1450 Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria,

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Docket No. 492.188

☒ Patent Utility ☐ Patent Design ☐ Provisional Patent ☐ International

☒ Applicant(s) Patentee(s) Sauvicki

☒ Serial No./Patent No. 09/979527

☒ Filed/Issued NOV 19 2001

☒ Title CLOSURE DEVICE

☒ Transmittal(s) (Pages 2) ☐ Assignment

☐ Specifications/Application (Pages)

☐ Sheets Informal Drawings ☐ Certificate of Mailing

☒ Declaration/Power of Attorney ☒ 37 CFR 1.8A ☐ 37 CFR 1.10

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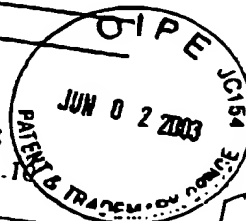


Exhibit E

Practitioner's Docket No. 492.188

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Alan F. Savicki

Application No.: 09/979,527
Filed: 11/19/2001
For: CLOSURE DEVICEGroup No.: Unknown
Examiner: UnknownCommissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

STATUS INQUIRY

1. More than twelve months have passed since the filing of this application on November 19, 2001. No communication has been received from the Patent and Trademark Office indicating action on this application.

2. Kindly advise the undersigned of the present status of this application, by checking the appropriate box on the next page. A stamped return-addressed envelope is provided.

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Toni Sampson
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STATUS INQUIRY REPLY

APPLICATION NO. 09/979,527 IS CURRENTLY

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☐ ACTION BY THE EXAMINER.

☐ APPLICANT'S RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION MAILED

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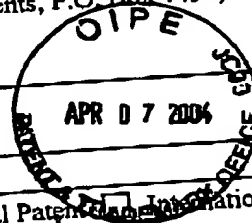


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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**STATUS INQUIRY**

1. More than either (8) months have passed since This application last received a communication from the U.S. Patent Office. That communication was the return receipt of Applicant's postcard originally mailed with a Status Inquiry dated May 29, 2003.
2. Kindly advise the undersigned of the present status of this application, by checking the appropriate box on the next page. A stamped return-addressed envelope is provided.

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